

**REMARKS**

This Preliminary Amendment is submitted to improve the form of the claims as originally-filed.

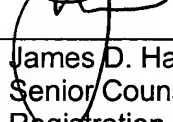
It is respectfully requested that this Preliminary Amendment be entered in the above-referenced application.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Preliminary Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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**VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE**

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please AMEND the following claims:

6. The wire electrical discharge machine according to [any one of claims 2 to 5] claim 2, wherein said receiving means has a reticulated or porous structure such that machining liquid passes through said receiving means while said receiving means receives said machined chips.

7. The wire electrical discharge machine according to [any one of claims 2 to 6] claim 2, wherein said lower receiving means is detachably mounted to said lower nozzle or said lower guide to which said lower nozzle is mounted.

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